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MRS. ROOSEVELT? . . . The marked resemblance to Eleanor Roosevelt has caused Miss Elizabeth Wright to be mistaken for the former "First Lady" many times. Miss Wright, who is visiting with her niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wright, 1532 El Prado, is the daughter of a famous painter, an Italian Countess and is the founder of Connecticut University.

An Eleanor Resemblance

She Looks Like A Celebrity, She Is One in Her Own Right

By BOB WILTON

Miss Elizabeth Wright thinks it is fun to be mistaken for a celebrity and adds, "you get such good service in hotels and on trains." Miss Wright, who looks like Eleanor Roosevelt so much that she is constantly asked for autographs when traveling, is the aunt of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wright, of 1532 El Prado.

The 84-year-old visitor with the Torrance Wrights flew from New York by jet, arriving at International Airport last Thursday and plans to stay here until Fall when she and her niece and nephew will go to Europe.

When Miss Wright was interviewed by the Torrance HERALD she said there must be some mistake as she was not a famous person, but "only looked like one." Then she added that she was the daughter of two famous people and that she would rather talk about them.

Her father is the late George Frederick Wright, recognized artist who was commissioned by Abraham Lincoln to paint a portrait used in Lincoln's presidential campaign in 1860. His rendering continued to be a favorite of the President and is one reproduced thousands of times since. Artist Wright studied under the masters in Italy, also painted all of the governors of both Illinois and

Connecticut during his career.

Marca Aurelia Muzzarelli Wright was Miss Wright's mother. The Hartford Courant carried a story on this Italian Countess following her death in 1919. The Countess was the daughter of Count Muzzarelli di Monte Pescali of Tuscany, Italy, and Clemence L'Abbe, of Paris. Both were of nobility and were active in the movement to free Negro slaves in the States during, and following, the Civil War.

Despite her reluctance to admitting fame, Miss Wright is a celebrity. When Wesleyan University decided to close its halls to women students in 1910 Miss Wright and three other members of the College Club in Hartford banded together to form a new co-educational college. After land was secured and funds raised, Con-

necticut College was born.

A leader in the move from the start, Miss Wright was made secretary of the original board and for many years bur-sar. Her big white house is just beyond the campus and overlooks Long Island.

Besides resembling the former "First Lady," Miss Wright also has her graciousness and along with these traits has a sense of humor and the courage to accept a challenge—the latter has won her three television contest prizes.

Her first prize was a ring, but it turned out to be a man's. She hit the jackpot a year ago when she claimed a Mercury automobile from television sponsors. An orange juice jingle got her a free trip to Miami Beach last month.

Miss Wright is quite a celebrity in her own right.



COURTESY FOR PRESIDENT'S WIFE . . . Mrs. Ray Noel, wife of the president of the Torrance Kiwanis club, was honored at a coffee last Friday morning in the patio at the B. I. Johnson home 2709 Gramercy. Pictured at the tea table are Mrs. B. I. Johnson, pouring, Mmes H.

C. Barrington, J. B. Scotton, Allen W. Smith Dean Sears, K. L. Anderson, Parke Montague, Howard Wood, Ray Noel, honor guest, John Barrington, Gerald Eastham. All are wives of past presidents of the local service club.



MRS. GARY BANKS
... Recent Bride

(Portrait by Seeman)

Annual Benefit

Vecinas Fashion Show on April 19

"Around the World in Fashion" is theme of Las Vecinas' annual benefit fashion show to be held Tuesday, April 19 in the Crystal Room of the Beverly Hills Hotel. One lucky guest will receive an autumn haze mink stole with Rosemary DeCamp, actress and life member of Las Vecinas, awarding the prize.

Following cocktails and luncheon, Miss Mary Webb Davis, Fashion co-ordinator, will be the commentator for the fashion show by a Beverly Hills firm. This style show will be an assortment of new summer fashions by leading designers.

Mrs. Robert Woods, ways and means chairman, heads the following committee: Mmes. Thomas O'Malley, benefit prize; Colvin Kindschi, tickets; Albert

Ed Olsens Are

Party Hosts

A pot luck group which enjoyed "turkey" with all the "trimmings" last Sunday evening was the one hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olsen, 22602 Linda Dr.

During the evening, without the guests knowing it, a tape recorder was turned on and their conversations recorded. Later when it was played back, they were amazed and surprised to hear their own voices.

Those enjoying the evening besides the Olsens were Messrs. and Mmes. Richard Burch, Lou Fucci, Jim McDonald, Howard Hood and Vince Wiegler.

E. Kurz, master seating; Arlington D. Wiweke, door prizes; Robert McCormick, table favors; Robert Hunt, program designs; Clair A. Peterson, hostess, and Roy A. Menashe, publicity.

A large part of the club philanthropies are made possible by this event, which is one of two annual affairs. Las Vecinas provides two scholarships yearly, one to a student of Torrance High School planning to go to college and another from the same school for a student planning to go to a nursing school. This year they hope to start a scholarship fund at South High School too. Las Vecinas also sponsors all the Girl Scout Troops in the Hollywood Riviera and Seaside Rancho areas.

The occupational therapy ward of Harbor General Hospital has for several years been the club's favorite philanthropic project. Las Vecinas has purchased many pieces of equipment as well as sending a monthly check to the hospital for incidentals. They also are working on a project to fill in the playground for the South Bay Exceptional Children's School.

Lowe - Banks Nuptials Recited at Wayfarers

Miss Judith Lowe recited wedding vows with Mr. Gary Banks in the Wayfarer's Chapel in Portuguese Bend, Saturday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lowe, 2115 W. 242nd St., Lomita. Parents of the bridegroom are Mrs. Alice Dodd, 775B Port-

mond, Calif., was the only out-of-town guest.

The newlyweds will make their home at 2737 Arlington Ave., Torrance, upon their return from a Northern California honeymoon.

The new Mrs. Banks is a graduate of Narbonne High School, class of 1959. Mr. Banks was graduated from the same school in 1958 and is now employed by Shell Chemical Corp. in Torrance.

Las Vegas Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Burch, 3922 W. 169th Pl., left Monday to spend a few days in Las Vegas.

Hosts Pot Luck

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Setzer were hosts to their pot luck group last Saturday evening in their home at 23002 Walnut St. Enjoying the surprise dishes and an evening of canasta were Messrs. and Mmes. Ronald Richards, Henry Scharrl, Stanley Lorenc, and Mrs. Lucille Britt.

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers



Landers

"Ask Her To Buy Some Books"

Dear Ann Landers: I am a girl who lacks 11 months of being 13 years old. Several of my girl friends have already been told the facts of life by their mothers. My mother has not said one word to me yet.

I'm sure my mother knows everything there is to know on this subject but she won't tell ANYTHING. I think it is because she has the crazy idea I will blab it around to my younger brothers.

How can I get my mother to talk to me about life and things like that? I am very interested in the subject of what every young girl should know and I don't know ANYTHING. —IN THE DARK

Dear In The Dark: The best way to show your mother you are a young lady is to behave like one. Don't nag her for information. Ask her to buy you some books. There are many good ones around—just right for a girl your age.

Your teacher, family doctor, or the librarian can help your mother make the best selection. And P.S.: DON'T you dare blab to your younger brothers or I'm through with you for life!

Dear Ann: This problem concerns my girl friend. She and I have always been very close. I'm terribly worried about her.

Eight months ago Bonnie became engaged to a boy whose religion is different from hers. He persuaded her to change to his beliefs. After she began her studies I noticed red blotches on her arms and neck, as big around as teacups.

She said it was just the excitement of being engaged. The doctor called it "nerves." Two weeks ago Bonnie lost her voice and couldn't make a sound for three days. She didn't have a cold and the whole thing was very mysterious. Yesterday she lost her voice again and the hives popped out bigger than ever.

I don't want to stick my nose into her affairs but do you think changing religions is behind all this?—ALSO NERVOUS

Dear Nervous: I don't want to stick my nose into her affairs. (Continued on Page 28)

Fashion Parade Tonight

All paths will lead to the Torrance Woman's Clubhouse on Thursday, March 31, at 8 p.m. where the latest Spring fashions will be shown in a joint fashion show presented by the Torrance Woman's Club and the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. The show will be entitled "Fashionations," and will be co-ordinated by Mrs. Ella Schwartz.

The public is invited to view the showing of the fashions and to enjoy the dessert which will precede the show. Those wishing to procure tickets may call Mrs. A. R. Felando, Jr., or Mrs. Andrew Acampora.

Pink Arrows To Direct Guests on Homes Tour

"Follow the PINK arrows!"

That's this year's Peninsula Homes Tour slogan. On Saturday and Sunday, April 30 and May 1, pink arrows will direct thousands of visitors through seven prominent Peninsula homes.

Starting point for the tour is the Palos Verdes Plaza or the Main Gate to the City of Rolling Hills.

Last year more than 3000 people visited the Peninsula Homes Tour.

This is the 11th successive year for this outstanding event.

A tea is served after the tour at the St. Francis Church, Palos Verdes. Sponsors of the Tour are the Episcopal Churchwomen of St. Francis Church.

Tickets may be purchased now by calling the 1960 Homes Tour General Chairman, Mrs. Patricia B. Brand.

Party Guests

Gathering for a cantonese dinner recently at The Polynesian Restaurant in Torrance were Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. McConnell of Hollywood Riviera. Guests in the party, who were entertained by Harry Baty's "Polynesians," included Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Mahoney of Torrance and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Tietjen of El Segundo.

Eastern Visitor

Mrs. Henry Klumpers of New Egypt, N. J., has been visiting her nieces, Mrs. William Volmerding, 2083 Middlebrook Rd. and Mrs. John Nady, for the past six weeks. She leaves for her New Jersey home Saturday with such experiences as a trip to Palm Springs, an afternoon at Marineland, and an evening at the Cinerama to remember.



MINK ELEGANCE . . . Door prize at the Las Vecinas annual benefit Fashion Show in the Crystal Room of the Beverly Hills Hotel on April 19 will be a beautiful mink stole. Here Mrs. Thomas O'Malley, center, puts on the stole assisted by Mrs. John Shieder (Rosemary DeCamp) who will present the stole to the lucky person. Looking on, at the right is Mrs. John Woods.